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Fritz SCHWERTFEGER)
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For: Method for Producing Organically Modified, Permanently Hydrophobic Aerogels

REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Honorable Assistant Commissioner of Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Applicant respectfully requests a four-month extension of time to respond to Notification of Missing Requirements mailed on June 25, 1999 in the above-captioned application. In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), a \$1490.00 extension fee is included with this request. The Commissioner is authorized any additional fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to deposit account number 19-0733. A duplicate copy of this sheet is attached.

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